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Response to Amendment

The response filed on 11-20-02 to the letter mailed on 11-07-02 (Paper No. 15) remains non-responsive for the reasons of record in Paper No. 15, see 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii). Since the period for reply set forth in the prior Office action has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period which began on November 7, 2002. A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gary B. Nickol Ph.D. whose telephone number is 703-305-7143. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8:30-5:00 P.M..

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